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MINISTER ALLON FOLLOWING MEETING AT PRIME MINISTER'S

OFFICE, AUGUST 30, 1975

Q: HOW DID YOUR TALKS GO TODAY?

SECRETARY KISSINGER: WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF WORKING  
ON MOSTLY THE ANNEXES OF THE AGREEMENT CONTAINING A  
LOT OF HIGHLY TECHNICAL AND COMPLICATED MATERIAL.

WE ARE MAKING PROGRESS ON THEM. WE ARE CONDUCTING  
USEFUL MEETINGS. WE ARE MEETING AGAIN TOMORROW  
MORNING BEFORE I GO TO EGYPT.

Q: HOW MANY MORE TRIPS TO ALEXANDRIA WILL YOU NEED  
BEFORE YOU CAN NAIL THIS DOWN?

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SECRETARY KISSINGER: ONE OR TWO.

Q: MR. SECRETARY, YOU WILL NOT BE RETURNING TO THE UNITED NATIONS  
TO DELIVER YOUR SPEECH THERE?

SECRETARY KISSINGER: I HAVE DECIDED THAT THE SPEECH  
ON WHICH I HAVE BEEN WORKING, WHICH TRIES TO LAY  
OUT THE MAJOR PROGRAM OF THE UNITED STATES TOWARDS  
THE DEVELOPING WORLD OUGHT TO BE PRESENTED AT THE  
BEGINNING OF THE SPECIAL SESSION. I THEREFORE HAVE  
ASKED AMBASSADOR MOYNIHAN TO READ THE SPEECH FOR ME.  
IT WILL BE MY SPEECH READ BY OUR AMBASSADOR -- A  
SPEECH THAT I HAVE BEEN WORKING ON FOR MANY  
MONTHS INCLUDING ON THIS TRIP. IT WILL ATTEMPT  
TO PUT FORWARD THE AMERICAN POSITION TOWARDS THE  
DEVELOPING WORLD AND TOWARDS THE PROBLEMS OF  
DEVELOPMENT IN, I HOPE, A CONSTRUCTIVE MANNER. HE  
WILL READ THE SPEECH ON MONDAY AFTERNOON AT THE OPENING  
SESSION OF THE SPECIAL ASSEMBLY.

Q: WOULD YOU SAY THAT YOU WERE WORKING ON THE FINE  
POINTS AND THAT ALL THE BIG ISSUES ARE ALL OUT OF THE  
WAY NOW?

SECRETARY KISSINGER: THE BIG ISSUES THAT I FOUND IN THE  
AREA WHEN I CAME ARE SUBSTANTIALLY SETTLED, BUT AN  
ACCUMULATION OF FINE POINTS CAN ALSO PRESENT A PROBLEM.  
WE ARE IN THE FINAL PHASES OF A NEGOTIATION, AND  
THEREFORE WHAT REMAINS IS SOMETIMES THE TECHNICALLY  
MOST COMPLEX, BUT NOT NECESSARILY THE MOST SIGNIFICANT.

Q: WOULD YOU JUST SAY IT IS JUST A MATTER OF  
TIME RATHER THAN A NEW HITCH OR SNAG?

SECRETARY KISSINGER: OR OUR NERVOUS STABILITY?

Q: DO YOU THINK, SIR, THAT YOUR UN SPEECH WILL BE  
ABLE TO REPORT THAT A SETTLEMENT HAS BEEN REACHED?

SECRETARY KISSINGER: WHATEVER HAPPENS, THE UN SPEECH  
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WILL NOT REFER TO THE MIDDLE EAST NEGOTIATIONS. IT  
WAS DESIGNED FOR A DIFFERENT PURPOSE. IT HAS BEEN  
DEVELOPED AS A LONG TERM PROGRAM. IF YOUR QUESTION  
IS: IS IT POSSIBLE TO CONCLUDE THE NEGOTIATIONS BY MONDAY,  
IT IS POSSIBLE, BUT WE ARE NOT WORKING AGAINST ANY FIXED  
DEADLINE. BUT YOU SHOULD NOT DRAW ANY CONCLUSIONS  
FROM THE FACT THAT I HAVE DECIDED TO HAVE THE SPEECH  
READ EARLIER IN THE SESSION. I JUST DID NOT WANT

TO HAVE TO SLIDE IT BACK FROM DAY TO DAY IN THE SESSION THAT LASTS ONLY TEN DAYS ALTOGETHER. SO I DECIDED THAT IT WOULD BE BEST TO PUT THE SPEECH FORWARD WHEN IT WAS ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED ON MONDAY AFTERNOON ON THE OPENING SESSION.

Q: IS THERE A CONTROVERSY ABOUT CERTAIN PARTS OF THE AGREEMENT THAT SHOULD GO ON THE PUBLIC PART AND IN THE UNPUBLISHED PART?

SECRETARY KISSINGER: THAT IS NOT THE ISSUE RIGHT NOW AT ALL. THEY ARE MOSTLY TECHNICAL PROBLEMS THAT WE ARE DISCUSSION.

FOREIGN MINISTER ALLON: IN ADDITION TO WHAT DR. KISSINGER TOLD YOU I WOULD LIKE TO INFORM YOU THAT OUR WEEKLY CABINET MEETING WHICH TAKES PLACE USUALLY ON SUNDAY MORNINGS WILL BE POSTPONED TO MONDAY MORNING BECAUSE WE HAVE ANOTHER WORKING SESSION WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE AND HIS TEAM TOMORROW MORNING IN THIS OFFICE. SINCE DR. KISSINGER IS GOING TO ALEXANDRIA LATER ON, I HAVE TO CANCEL THE FAREWELL PARTY WHICH I PREPARED FOR TOMORROW NIGHT. I AM SURE THAT WE WILL FIND ANOTHER DATE SOONER OR LATER TO EXPRESS OUR GRATITUDE FOR THE VERY FRUITFUL WORK THAT HE AND HIS TEAM HAVE BEEN DOING EVER SINCE THE SHUTTLE HAS BEGUN, NOT TO SPEAK ABOUT EARLIER EFFORTS WHICH ARE LESS PUBLICIZED.

Q: MR. ALLON, WHAT TIME WILL THE MEETING BE TOMORROW MORNING?

FOREIGN MINISTER ALLON: 8:30.  
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Q: MR. ALLON, THAT MEANS THAT THE AGREEMENT WILL NOT BE INITIALED BEFORE MONDAY?

FOREIGN MINISTER ALLON: THE AGREEMENT CANNOT BE INITIALED BEFORE THE CABINET APPROVES OF THE AGREEMENT. AFTER THE CABINET WILL APPROVE IT -- AS I HOPE -- THEN IT CAN BE INITIALED THE SAME DAY EVEN BY THE REPRESENTATIVES OF ISRAEL.

Q: IS THE KNESSET STILL ABOUT TO MEET ON TUESDAY?

FOREIGN MINISTER ALLON: I AM NOT SURE. IT JUST MAY MEET ON ITS USUAL WORK, BUT I THINK THAT BETWEEN THE CABINET MEETING AND THE KNESSET SPECIAL SESSION,

THE PARTIES WILL HAVE A CHANCE TO MEET AMONG THEMSELVES  
IN ORDER TO CLARIFY THEIR OWN POSITIONS. ONLY WHEN  
THE KNESSET APPROVES THIS AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE,  
WILL WE BE ABLE TO SIGN THE BASIC AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN US AND EGYPT. AFTERWARDS COMES THE  
PHASE OF THE TECHNICAL AND MILITARY NEGOTIATIONS IN  
GENEVA ITSELF. ONLY AFTER THE LAST DOCUMENT HAS  
BEEN SIGNED, THEN THE AGREEMENT BECOMES EFFECTIVE.

Q: WILL THE TIME SPAN BE A MATTER OF DAYS OF  
WEEKS BEFORE THE AGREEMENT IS FULLY SOLVED?

FOREIGN MINISTER ALLON: WELL, IT CAN BE A MATTER OF  
DAYS ONCE THE KNESSET APPROVES THE AGREEMENT.  
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